

Before the Federal Communications Commission Washington, DC 20554

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Office of the Secretary

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In the Matter of:

Amendment of Part 97 of the

Commission's Rules Governing

Amateur Radio Services

Regarding Repeater and

Auxiliary Operation in the

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To: The Commission

1.25 Meter Band

PETITION FOR RULE MAKING

I, Charles Whaley, KD6CIJ, hereby respectfully submit my request to the Federal Communications Commission to NOT take action on this Petition For Rule Making, RM-7869, as submitted by the American Radio League.

I joined the ranks of Amateur Radio as a newly licensed Novice operator, and was pleased to find that the Commission allowed voice privileges on the 1.25 meter band. I knew many friends that were "Hams", and who operated on the 1.25 meter band which prompted me to also get involved on this great band of frequencies. I found that repeaters allowed my wife and I to communicate almost anywhere in the Southern California area.

Today, I received word that the Commission has issued a

petition for rule making, filed on behalf of the ARRL to re-allocate 150 Khz of frequencies for weak signal work. First off, I have never talked to anyone who has operated weak signal, and after checking with my local Ham store, find that if they carry weak signal equipment, only one manufacturer offers it, and that it is very expensive. Why then I ask, are you willing to consider this request for an obvious handfull of individuals, who do not utilize what they now have? Preposterous!

Let me assure you that the new Novice and Codeless Technician class of operator will not be seeking week signal equipment. This must be true, since the manufacturers offer a variety of handhelds, mobiles, and base station for FM and repeater operation. NOT weak signal.

Carefully inspect the letters you will receive from my peers. They are the overwhelming proof of activity and interest in the 1.25 meter band. The local option as outlined in the ARRL manual accurately puts all this in prospective. Let the local coordination councils develop regional band plans that best fit that geographical region.

Respectfully Submitted, December 12, 1991

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